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DIGITAL COMMUNICATION NETWORKS

## LETTER TO DRAFTSPERSON

The Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

SIR:

Responsive to the Notice of Draftsperson's Drawings Review, Paper No. 5, mailed July 5, 1996, applicant is submitting substitute drawings herewith in order to overcome the objections However, reconsideration of the objection to Figure 8 because of "solid black shading" is respectfully solicited. First, the "solid black" is not "shading" as such; some main electrical connections are simply shown in bold and this showing should be acceptable. Further, it is not clear under the Rules of the PCT that the Patent and Trademark Office has the authority to require this kind of correction after the drawings have already been approved by the PCT Receiving Office. Accordingly, withdrawal of this particular objection is respectfully requested.

Please substitute the attached sheets of formal drawings for those originally filed in the above-identified application.

Respectfully submitted,

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